

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application of:

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For: CONTROLLING DEVICES ON AN  
INTERNAL NETWORK FROM AN  
EXTERNAL NETWORK

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION IN SUPPORT OF  
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114**

To The Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed April 1, 2009 (hereinafter Final Office Action), Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and remarks to follow.

**Amendments of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 8 of this paper.